Hazardous Materials Spill

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Date: May 6, 2015

Incident Number: 15-0030324

Information Contact: Tony Hill, Battalion Chief Incident Type: Hazardous Materials Spill Date/Time of Incident: May 6, 2015, 4:44 PM Incident Location: EB126 Freeway at Kimball Raod

Cause: Debris in the roadway

Injuries: None

Number of Personnel: 10

Fire Equipment: 2 Engine Companies, 1 Hazardous Materials unit, 1 Command

Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department, CHP, Cal Trans, Ventura County Environmental Health

Narrative: One lane of the 126 freeway was shut down for several hours this evening when over 100 gallons of diesel fuel spilled onto the roadway. A driver of a commercial semi-truck reported running over debris in the roadway. The debris ruptured a 150 gallon diesel fuel tank tearing a whole in the bottom of the tank. When Ventura City Firefighters arrived on scene they found river of diesel fuel flowing down the shoulder of the freeway heading toward a storm drain 150 yards away. Working quickly, firefighters built a dam comprised of dirt and absorbent material and were able to stop the flow of the fuel before it entered the drain. Firefighters worked collaboratively with the California Highway Patrol, Cal Trans and Ventura County Environmental Health to mitigate the incident.

Final cleanup of the freeway is expected to last late into the night. No injuries were reported as a result of this incident.







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